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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION AND**  
**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication of July 29, 2003, applicants request the entry of the following amendment:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 4 of this paper.